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WHAT WILL IT BE?

EVERY nation in the great war is designated by some patronymic that carries with it the characteristic of the race. The French adore their poilu, although the derivation of the term is not of the loftiest origin since it comes from the shagginess of the plain everyday Frenchman as seen in the slums of Paris. Nevertheless the term which was used at home in derision and scorn is now honored and sung by pocts as the loftiest concept of patriotism. The British soldier has not departed from his time honored pseudonym of Tommy Atkins and the English newspapers are loud in their praises of the "Tommies" who are fighting the battle under the Union Jack. The Russian is commonly referred to as Ivan (John) owing to the frequency of the occurrence of that Christian appellation in the rank and file of the army. The Italians are cherished as "Spiggoties," which may be taken as a corruption of spaghetti, the national dish and there is no sensitiveness over accepting the term. The New Zealanders, Australians and men from New South Wales are all classed as Anzacs, the nearest approach to a correct definition since it combines the initials of the dominions that became famous for their obstinacy and courage in the heartrending assault on Gallipoli. Now that the United States has taken a hand in the game and its colors are seen on the front and at sea with the patrol fleet, it is up to the rhetoricians of the trenches to coin a name that distinctive of the boys of the North American republic. The name United States is too cumbersome for colloquial use and the term "Yankee," although freely used through Europe and Canada as the definition for Americans from the United States, would not exactly fit the case. "Yankee" is too provincial in its origin since it applies at home to natives of the New England states, but it did obtain in the civil war when every one who wore the blue was denominated a "Yank" while the man from the south was known as "Johnny Reb." The christening has to emanate from our allies in Europe, lose much of its force when it is understood that many other kinds starvation or even the slightest privation. So long as the gas holds of Americans are likely to participate in hostilities. The men from Brazil, Argentina, Ecuador, Chile and Peru are just as much entitled to the name of "Americans" as we are, and more so, perhaps, since they come from nations founded long before a separate nation on this side of the continent was dreamed of. The Canadians have escaped the inventive genius of the army lexiographer and the domestic term of "Canuck", used in the eastern states, has not once been applied to the boys from the other side of the boundary line. The slang term for the boys of Unele Sam is due to arrive one of these days and when it does it is certain to be based on some heroic achievement that will cause its ready adoption and incorporation into the literature which the war has produced with rare prodigality.

THE COMING CATACLYSM.

A TTACKS by air and sea. It is bound to come. There is no getting away from it. For three years the allies and central powers have been hammering away on frontal lines. The gains have been alternately one way or the other. Just now it seems as though the British and French were smashing their way back through to Berlin, but Berlin is still a long way off and the backdoor that was supposed to be menaced by Russia is virtually closed through the paralysis that has prostrated the greatest ally in point of numbers. It may take months, or even years, for the Slavs to recover the prestige lost through the revolution and its attendant train of anarchy. No nation can emerge from semi-barbarism and mount to the lofty heights of true patriotism while the sun wends its way from one side of the horizon to the other. This will take time, and lots of it. The fact is recognized by the remaining powers of the allied forces and they are reorganizing their fighting strategy to other ends than those which were first the objective of every movement. On the western front of Germany the allies have been making wonderful gains but, when it comes to cold calculation it does not appear as though present tacties would bring about a telling success. It has taken the best part of two months to register an advance of twenty miles. These advances have been won at a terrible sacrifice of life and at an appalling cost for ammunition and engines of destruction. How long this can be maintained remains an unsolved problem. The allies smash through one line of embattled entrenchments consisting of cemented underground fortresses only to find they are opposed by positions equally strong. At the present rate of progress along the same lines it will require the better part of two years before a substantial impression is made on the German hinterland where countless reserves are reported to be rest- San Francisco ing and waiting their turn to be called into action. This is admitted even by the most optimistic of the opposing force. Therefore the question arises whether human endurance is fitted to sustain the battle for an apparent hopeless victory. General Haig has devoted himself to the wearing-out process on which he relies to carry the war through to a successful issue, but the process of attrition is slow and costly. The attacking army is always at a disadvantage when it is launched against prepared positions. And there isn't the slightest doubt of the preparedness of the Huns behind those leagues of trenches such as never before had been organized or constructed to defy the most acute human intellect.

So long as the German and Austrian armies are capable of holding their bases they can keep up the present stubborn resistance and therefore it is obvious that the next step will be to get behind these lines and shut off the supply of food and munitions that keep pouring from rear to front. This can be done only by a flank movement that will turn the tide of events and roll back the armies of the kaiser from their frontal fortifications. The British public has been clamoring for something to be done by the British fleet that is now occupied in watching the Kiel canal to prevent the German navy from escaping into the broad open where the boats by a bold dash would be able to do inestimable damage to the insular enemy. So long as the British fleet of dreadnaughts is engaged in this game of hide and seek nothing more can be expected, but the time is fast approaching when, reinforced by the United States and Japan, bolder plans may be adopted and the war carried into the heart of Germany by a simultaneous attack by sea and air. Obviously this is the next grand move. It must come for there cannot be any overwhelming reverse for German arms until the allies succeed in getting behind the forces now arrayed against them on the

French and Belgian frontiers. This course may take the better part the better of a pitcher's duel with of the summer, but it is bound to eventuate and when it does the Walter Johnson yesterday and the sortie of the naval powers of the world massed against the land ing four in a row from Washington. forces of the Germans will bring about that discomfiture which has been a stranger to the Teut mic foe.

OUTLOOK FOR NEVADA.

NEVER have conditions in Nevada been so auspicious. High prices and a ready market for everything the state produces spells prosperity with great capital letters leaving it to the people to improve their opportunity by making the most of conditions that St. Louis batted eleven inning to a New York have brought such wonderful variety of resources to their doors. I to 1 tle Sunday, darkness pre Chicago have brought such wonderful variety of resources to their doors. I to I tie Sunday, darkness preSt. Louis
A reward of \$18 will be paid for information that will lead to the arrest
The outlook for fruit, wheat and other grains in Nevada has not venting further play. Lavan, St. Brooklyn
been so good for many previous years. Range food is shundard and Louis shortston was a street. been so good for many previous years. Range food is abundant and Louis shortstop, was spiked in the Cincinnati the heavy rains of the past week, with the last snows in the moun- arm and forced to retired in the Pittsburg tains are all happy auguries of a bountiful harvest. While there is sixth when Janvrin slid into second. Boston still some danger of late frosts that danger is almost past for the days must stay warm to preserve the balance of the seasons. The weather bureau has established the fact that every year averages up pretty well when summer and winter are weighed and a mean temperature measured. A winter of extreme cold implies that the summer will be of intense heat to preserve the parity of the seasonal changes. The cool wet spring has not been a serious matter in this part of the country since it provided the germinating qualities that are frequently lacking. One of the greatest drawbacks to farming in Nevada has been the dry, windy spring weather, during which the ground becomes so parched that the seed is unable to find lodgment before the high winds blow it out of the furrow off to some barren spot where it fails to find nourishment to bring it to life, The open range has never been better and live stock losses of the winter were not as large as anticipated, although other states suffered severely from deestructive storms. Prices for live stock and wool are unprecedented and it is not so long ago that a well known firm of wool buyers in Boston predicted that before the war could ease selected wool would sell for two dollars a pound. The pply of beef is so reduced that there is not much danger of the beefgrower receiving less for his animals than he has during the past year. In a mining way Nevada never was in better shape, as the railroads report a great tonnage of low grade ores moving toward the smelter than at any time in history. While the development of mines on an extensive scale has never been equalled in this state it is pleasant to note that there have been more "one man mines" added to the producing list than would have been thought possible two years ago. This is due to the improvement of railroad facilities and the extension of motor trucks which bring the remote small mine or prospect hole nearer a market than they have been. The prospector with his tin flivver has a wider range of operations than e enjoyed in the days when the patient burro was his sole reliance and therefore the man with the pick and a little determination has been enabled to get out and away from settlements without facing out the prospector with his little auto feels secure and when he finds anything worth shipping he knows he does not have to rely on the tedious mule skinner before he can find a market for his product. All these circumstances combine to prove that Nevada will have more money in circulation this year than at any time since the haleyon days of the Comstock,

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